Misappropriation of loans by General Manager, Sangameshwara Gramin Bank

3193. SHRI ASHIS SEN: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the General Manager, Sangameshwara Gramin Bank, Andhra Pradesh an Officer on deputation from State Bank of India, has misappropriated a few lacs of rupees of bank loan and subsidy for his personal benefit which was meant for the weaker sections of the district;

(b) whether Government have received any complaints from the staff associations to the above effect; and

(c) if so, what steps Government propose to take against the above officer to enquire into the above irregularity?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and to the extent available will be laid on the Table of the House.

Implementation of National Industrial Tribunal Award for RRBs

3194. SHRI ASHIS SEN: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the reasons for delay in full implementation of the National Industrial Tribunals award in respect of regional Rural Banks; and

(b) what steps have been taken or are being taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR): (a) and (b) Government had issued instructions on 22.2.1991 to all the Regional Rural Banks (RRBs) in pursuance of the acceptance of the Award of the National Industrial Tribunal (NIT) and the recommendations of the Equation Committee granting sponsor bank pay scales and other benefits to the RRBs staff. The instructions of the Government are for implementation by the RRBs. However, no feedback on the status of compliance with the instructions was sought either by Government or by National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development.

Non-Implementation of benefits to Regional Rural Banks Sponsored by State Bank of India

3195. SHRI ASHIS SEN: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some of the Regional Rural Banks sponsored by the State Bank of India are not passing on the benefits cleared by the Central Government vide their letter dated 22nd February, 1991 to the staff; and

(b) if so, what steps are being taken for implementation of Government instructions by the State Bank of India sponsored Regional Rural Banks?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR): (a) and (b) The information is being collected and to the extent available will be laid on the Table of the House.

Recruitment of SC/ST Candidates by Banks in Arunachal Pradesh

3196. SHRI NYODEK YONGGAM: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the branches of nationalised banks functioning in Arunachal Pradesh are following the guidlines issued by the Government of India on reservation policy for employment of Scheduled Caste/ Scheduled Tribe persons of Arunachal Pradesh;

(b) if so, what is the total number of Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe candidates recruited in different categories in the banks during the years 1989-90, 1990-91 and 1991-92 in the State; and